

SPENCER CITY COUNCIL MEETING
August 3, 2015
Regular Council Meeting

1. ROLL CALL

2. Update from Nathan Prenzlow from Spencer YMCA

3. Consent Agenda:

- A. Minutes of July 20, 2015:
- B. Licenses: None;
- C. Approve Sidewalk Construction and Assessment Agreement with Brian Justus at 512 W 5th Street;
- D. Approve Spencer Cares Request #14 for up to \$388.08 and Request #15 for up to \$434.90, as recommended by the Spencer Cares Committee;
- E. Approve request to establish a Petty Cash account at the Regional Collection Center in the amount of \$50;
- F. Approve Application to Iowa DNR REAP Program for north trail land acquisition project;
- G. Resolution: Adopting Final Assessment Schedule for the 2014 Fairway Woods First Addition PCC Paving Project and Amending, Confirming and Levying the Assessments;

4. Old Business:

A. Motion: Action on tabled Ordinance Amending Title 7, Chapter 3, Section 8 of the Spencer City Code Concerning Permitted Speeds on U.S. Highways 71 and 18 (Highway Boulevard) North of Twenty-First Street (Tabled on July 20, 2015);

As you recall action on this item was tabled to determine what if any changes could be made to the placement of the speed limit signs for the 45 mph zone. Comments were made that also included a petition at that meeting from residents on East 24th Street concerning the difficulty of getting on U.S. Highways 71 and 18 (Highway Boulevard) should the speed be increased from its current speed of 35 mph to 45 mph.

The Council instructed the Police Chief to check with IDOT to determine if they would consider allowing the placement of the 45 mph north of West 24th Street. It should be noted that the City and IDOT both have jurisdiction on the speed in that area thus it would take concurrence of both entities to change the speed. Having said that however, IDOT was not in favor of making any changes to their original recommendation of where the sign would be placed should the council want to approve the ordinance before you. The study that they performed shows that that the 85 percentile of the traffic speed in that area are at the 45 mph or below the recommended speed change. Thus makes it more challenging for residents coming on to the highway to judge which cars are traveling 35 mph or 45 mph.

It is my understanding of what IDOT is saying is it is much safer for the traffic coming on to the highway that the cross traffic is traveling at a more consistent speed than a variable speed.

Staff, in an effort to see if there are any other alternatives to the placement of the sign retained Bolton and Menk's Traffic Engineer to review the State's findings. We have forwarded their comments on to IDOT review. As of this writing we have not received comments back from IDOT. **If we do not have the IDOT comments back by Monday night, Staff would recommend that we keep this tabled to the 8-17-15 Council meeting.**

B. Roll Call: An Ordinance Amending Title 7, Chapter 3, Section 8 of the Spencer City Code Concerning Permitted Speeds on U.S. Highways 71 and 18 (Highway Boulevard) North of Twenty-First Street, 2nd Filing;

Enclosed in your packet information is an amended ordinance regulating the speed limit on Highway Boulevard North of 21st Street. The Police Chief requested the Iowa Department of Transportation conduct a speed study to look into the appropriate speed for this area. After the study was completed both the Police Chief and IDOT are recommending the following:

- . **Under the 35 mph section of the ordinance** as it relates to Highway Boulevard from 17th Street to 180 feet south of West 23rd Street.
- . **Under the 45 mph section of the ordinance** as it relates to Highway Boulevard from 180 feet south of West 23rd Street northward to a point of 920 feet North of West 24th Street.
- . **Under the 50 mph section of the ordinance** as it relates to Highway Boulevard from 920 feet north of West 24th Street to a point 340 feet south of 30th Street.

Please note as per the discussion at the 1st filing of this ordinance, the Police Chief did go out to the area to make sure there were no cars that were for sale parked in the right-of-way. Staff has also visited with the Armory to see if there was any way that they would consider opening up their parking lot to allow for local traffic to pass through for an alternative route. At this time due to security regulations that would not be an option.

I would recommend approval of the 2nd filing.

5. Public Hearing:

A. Public Hearing on Proposed Amendment to the 2006 Long-Term Lease Agreement Between the City of Spencer and Corporate Aircraft Maintenance, L.L.C. d/b/a Camm Air by Adding to the Leased Property an Adjacent Unimproved Parcel of City Property at the Northwest Iowa Regional Airport;

1. Roll Call: Resolution Approving and Amending the 2006 Long-Term Lease Agreement Between the City of Spencer and Corporate Aircraft Maintenance, L.L.C. d/b/a Camm Air;

Enclosed in your packet information is a Resolution approving an amendment to the 2006 Long-Term Lease with Camm Air for an approximate 150' x 25' area of land that will be used for 80' x 25' addition to their existing building at the Airport. **I would recommend approval.**

6. New Business:

A. Motion: Approve Agreement for Professional Services with Bolton-Menk Engineers;

Enclosed in your packet information a fee schedule for Professional Engineering Services from Bolton and Menk. They have been in the community for about 3 years and recently moved to a more permanent building near Burger King. I believe they have approximately 10 people working out of their office with 5 of them living in Spencer. The agreement will allow us to more utilize their services should the need arise. **I would recommend approval.**

B. Motion: Retain Kruse, Cate and Nelson as the Engineers for the 2015 Water Resource Restoration Project;

Staff is requesting that Kruse, Cate and Nelson be retained for the 2015 Water Resource Restoration Project. This was the project that was discussed at the last Public Works Committee Meeting. It is my understanding that they are hiring Bolton and Menk as a sub-consultant on rural and drainage district issues. **I would recommend approval.**

C. Motion: Authorize Staff to Seek Quotations for Improvements at the South Pointe development (CHI Project);

Staff is requesting authorization to seed quotation for improvements at the South Pointe Development Project. You may recall that the City pledged certain infrastructure improvements as part of our community match towards this project. **I would recommend approval.**

7. Department Head Reports:

- A. City Attorney
- B. Parks & Recreation
- C. Golf Course
- D. Planning Department
- E. Library
- F. Fire
- G. Police
- H. Public Works

8. Engineer's Report:

9. City Manager's Report:

10. Mayor's Report: Appointments to Renaissance Initiative Committee (Randy Cauthron, John Goede, Kris Todd, all expiring 6/30/2018)

11. Council/Comm. Reports:

12. City Clerk's Report:

- Bill and Claims
- Funds Transfers

13. Other Business/Opportunity to Address the Council

14. Adjourn